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PORTSMOUTH'S INTERESTS.
You want local news? Read the Herald. More local news than all other local dailies combined. Try it.
[FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.]
The Hawaiian treaty reports substantial progress.
The comic valentine idiot is becoming less numerous.
It would seem that England has troubles of her own without growing excited over the De Lome incident.
How quickly are men forgotten in this bustling world! No one thinks it worth while to even catch an Andree pigeon.
With John Wamaker a candidate for governor, a vast number of politicians in Pennsylvania would acknowledge that prosperity had returned. John's legs are made of rubber.
A young woman in Brooklyn has been asked to resign her class in Sunday school because she played eucra at home. Perhaps she did not let the other teachers in often enough.
The prospects are decently good for bankruptcy legislation at this session of congress. There are few if any subjects before that body of more interest to this section of the country.
The Englishmen that arranged to light a Spanish city with electricity decided, when they got ready to do the work, that Pittsburgh, Pa. U. S. A., was the place to send for the necessary plants.
The people who were so attentive and courteous to Mr. Anthony Hope Hawkins during his sojourn in this country now hear that he has spoken of America and Americans in rather slighting tones since his return to England. He tells it is said of "many guineas of American women to whom he was introduced."
The chief mistake which they appear to have made was in thinking that Mr. Hawkins was a gentleman.
A sergeant of artillery at Fort Sheridan, Chicago, felt that his allowance of mush and molasses was not sufficient, held out his plate and, like Oliver Twist, asked for more, whereupon his conduct was reported to Mr. Bumble, alias Col. Hall, in command of the fort, who ordered him to be tried by court martial.
Fort Sheridan, it will be remembered is the place where a soldier was subjected to most disgraceful punishment by an officer who was afterwards reprimanded by the Secretary of War. It would appear that the penalty was not sufficient to teach a lesson to the petty tyrants at the fort who disgrace the name of soldier.
Rubber Coating.
Not so many improvements have characterized the process of coating cloth with rubber as have marked the progress of some other features. In the application of that material in the arts. The chief solvent used in dissolving the rubber for coating purposes are naphtha, shale spirit and benzol, these being mixed with purified solid paraffin by grinding together. Solubility is promoted by grinding or working. The raw or washed rubber is less soluble than that masticated or ground, and well ground rubber is more easily taken up than that which has been less worked. The washed rubber is for water proofing, says the Boston Commercial Bulletin. The next operation is to grind the rubber and pigments together, run it out into a thin sheet and digest in naphtha, with a slight stirring as it is added, and the finishing is performed by grinding mix. The treatment of fabric which has to be done by spreading with the rubber compound in passing it through a pair of calenders. In order to press down knots and give a smooth and even surface, after which it is passed over a roller. The cloth is then worked. The cloth is now ready to receive the first coat. A little oxide of zinc or a little naphtha, which is retained by the rubber and which it gives up very slowly, is a drying agent which proves quite useful and prevents water in curing.
The city of Banian, in Great Ancharia, is out in the side of a mountain. There are 12,000 artificial caves, some very large, and two stories, one 90 and the other 30 feet high, each hewn from a single stone.
Chinamen were unknown to the ancients and are not mentioned in any Greek or Roman architect. A hole in the roof let the smoke out.

"MOMENT OF ACTION" HAS ARRIVED.

Spanish Malignity Disclosed in a Circular.
WAS IT SHOWN AGAINST MAINE?
Speaks of "Yankee Hogs Who Meddle In Our Affairs."
Graphic Story of Experience Told by a Lieutenant—Darkness Developing Cause of the Disaster—Cubans Blamed by Bob Evans—Spontaneous Combustion Declared Impossible—Funeral of the Victims in Havana.
New York, Feb. 18.—Medical Director Wood of the naval hospital in Brooklyn is in possession of the copy of an incendiary circular which was passed about the streets, on railway cars and other places in Havana. A translation was sent by an officer on the Maine as follows:
"Spaniards, long live Spain and honor. What are ye doing that ye allow yourselves to be insulted in this way? Do you not see what they have done to us in withdrawing our brave and beloved Weyler, who at this very time would have finished with this unworthy rebellious rabble, who are tramping on our flag and our honor?
"Autonomy is imposed on us so as to thrust us to one side and to give posts of honor and authority to those who have initiated this rebellion, these ill-born autonomists, ungrateful sons of our beloved country. Finally these Yankee hogs who meddle in our affairs, humiliate us to the last degree and for still greater want, order to us one of the ships of war of their rotten squadron after insulting us in their newspapers and driving us from our homes.
"Spaniards, the moment of action has arrived. Sleep not. Let us show these vile traitors that we have not yet lost shame and that we know how to protect ourselves by every means. Let us show them that we are worthy of being a nation worthy and strong as our Spain is and always will be. Death to Americans. Death to autonomy. Long live Spain. Long live Weyler!"

LIEUTENANT'S EXPERIENCE.
Had Sort of a Premonition That Disaster Was Impending.
Key West, Feb. 18.—Lieutenant John J. Blandin of Baltimore, one of the Maine's survivors, who is at the Key West hotel, gave the correspondent of the Associated Press a succinct account of the disaster, saying that not until now has he been able to recollect the sequence of events in the awful 10 minutes following the explosion Tuesday evening. He was on the Trenton at the time of the disaster off Sumon in March, 1889, when American and German vessels lost 244 men all told.
Lieutenant Blandin says: "I was on watch, and when the men had been picked below I looked down the main hatch and over the side of the ship. Everything was absolutely normal. I walked aft to the quarterdeck, behind the rear turret, as is allowed after 8 o'clock in the evening, and sat down on the port side, where I remained for a few minutes. Then, for some reason I cannot explain to myself now, I moved to the starboard side and sat down there. I was feeling a bit glum and, in fact, was so quiet that Lieutenant J. Hood came up and asked laughingly if I were asleep. I said 'No' on watch.
"Scarcely had I spoken when there came a dull, sudden roar. Would to God that I could blot out the sound and the scenes that followed. Then came a sharp explosion; some say, numerous detonations. I remember only one. It seemed to me that the sound came from the port side forward. Then came a perfect rain of missiles of all descriptions, from huge pieces of cement to blocks of wood, steel railings, fragments of gratings and all the debris that would be detachable in an explosion. I was struck on the head by a piece of cement and knocked down, but I was not hurt, and got to my feet in a moment. Lieutenant Hood had run to the poop, and, as supposed, as I followed, that he was dazed by the shock and about to jump overboard. I hailed him, and he answered that he had run to the poop to help lower the boats. When I got there, though scarce a minute could have elapsed, I had to wade in water to my knees, and almost instantly the quarterdeck was awash. On the poop I found Captain Sigbee as cool as if a ball, and soon all the officers except Jenkins and Merritt joined us. The poop was above water after the Maine settled to the bottom. Captain Sigbee ordered the launch and gig lowered, and the officers and crew by the time we had assembled, got the boats out and rescued a number in the water. Captain Sigbee ordered Lieutenant Commander Wainwright forward to see the extent of the damage, and if anything could be done to rescue those forward or to extinguish the flames, which followed close upon the explosion and burned fiercely as long as there were any combustibles above water to feed them. Lieutenant Commander Wainwright on his return reported the total and awful character of the calamity; and Captain Sigbee gave the last sad order, 'Abandon ship.' To men overwhelmed with grief indeed, but calm and apparently unexcited, he said: 'In the meantime four boats from the Spanish cruiser, Alfonso XII, arrived, to be followed soon by two from the Ward line steamer City of Washington. The two boats first lowered from the City of Washington were found to be riddled with flying debris from the Maine and were unusable. Captain Sigbee was the last man to leave his vessel and left in his own gig.
"I have no theories as to the cause of the explosion. I cannot form any. An examination by divers may tell something to a court of inquiry. I, with others, had heard that the Havana harbor was full of torpedoes; but the officers whose duty it was to examine into that reported that they found no signs of any. Personally I do not believe the Spanish had anything to do with the disaster. Time may tell. I hope so. We were in a delicate position on the Maine so far as taking any precautions were concerned. We were friends in a friendly, or alleged friendly, port and could not

fire upon or challenge the approach of any boat boarding us unless convinced that her intention was hostile.
"I wish to heaven I could forget it. I have been in two weeks now and have had my share; but the reverberations of that sullen, yet resonant, roar, as if the bottom of the sea were groaning in torture, will haunt me for many a day, and the reflection of that pillar of flame comes to me even when I close my eyes."

ALARMISTS IN SPAIN.
Madrid, Feb. 18.—While admitting that the crisis paid by United States men-of-war to Cuba are "annoying," the warships proposed to be paid to Spain will be "still more annoying," should they take place, and that it is matter for regret that since the new regime has come into force in Cuba all the insurgents have not yet submitted. The Liberal of this city points out the "absurdity" of following the suggestions made by the alarmists in Spain. These suggestions are "first, to close the harbors of Cuba and Spain to the American vessels, even though they come in the guise of courteous visitors, and if they take it ill, then declare war against them. Second, withdraw the new form of government granted to Cuba, raise the effective army there to 100,000 men, and go on as before."
The Liberal urges that patience and calmness are the remedies now required to meet the difficulties facing Spain, adding: "If dangers threaten let them be met with composure, and due measures taken to overcome them as far as possible. With nations as selfish, impatient, shirking and excitement in presence of peril, far from being proofs of valor, are evidence only of weakness of mind."
The Herald bluntly says that the "real seat of the war is not in Cuba, where it would be impossible for 20,000 rebels led by ignorant leaders to make head against the Spanish arms, but in New York and Washington," adding: "Were the United States really friendly to Spain the war in Cuba would very shortly be at an end."

TO AWAIT THE INQUIRY.
Washington, Feb. 18.—The government has settled back into a waiting attitude in respect to the terrible disaster in Havana harbor. The shock caused by the news has given way to a calmer and more judicial state of mind. Realizing from the events of the day that the court of inquiry would be brought in the search for the cause of the Maine's loss, the naval officials are resigned to await the results of that inquiry.
There is little new to add to the sum of information as to the disaster. In connection with the theory of spontaneous combustion, the character of the coal used on the Maine assumes some importance. This is supplied at present to the bureau of equipment, and the head of that bureau, Captain Royal Bradford, asserts that the coal was the very best. He produced the quarterly report required by regulations to show exactly the state of the Maine's coal supply and the quality of the coal. At the end of December the vessel had 10,000 tons of coal in her bunkers. This was made up of Pocahontas and New River coal. Captain Bradford said that Pocahontas is a standard naval coal and is rated at 100. New River follows next, and is set down at 90 percent. These are the best of the coal. The quality of the coal is the subject of the inquiry. The Welsh navigation coal, the British naval standard. In the opinion of Captain Bradford neither of these coals is particularly subject to spontaneous combustion. Since the Maine has been in the Gulf of Mexico, however, she probably consumed a good part of this coal and replenished her stock from the naval store at the Key West station. The coal there taken on was anthracite, which, said Captain Bradford, "is no more subject to spontaneous combustion than a pile of stones."
The wounded sailors in the Havana hospitals, who are not in condition to be brought back to Key West, will be carefully looked after by Clara Barton, who has been given carte blanche to buy any and everything necessary—food, clothing, delicacies—and hire nurses and physicians. The wounded able to get to Key West will be taken care of in the marine hospital there. The sound survivors will be quartered in the spare army barracks.
As for the Maine herself, notwithstanding discouraging reports from Lieutenant Hood as to her condition, the navy department will make the effort to raise her. While this is required by every creditable sentiment, they say that they are bound to remove the hull from the small harbor in any case, and it may be as easy to raise her as to destroy the hull and machinery by the use of divers and dynamite. It is believed that this work can be done by the use of divers, corporations, and negotiations are already afoot for placing the contract, based on work by the day, at an estimated cost of \$200,000.
At the navy department specific denial was given of the report emanating from Madrid that a torpedo boat was about to leave Key West for Cuba. It was stated that only two torpedo boats, the Cushing and the Ericsson, are at Key West, and these have not been ordered and will not be ordered, according to a household necessity.
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BLAMES THE CUBANS.
New Orleans, Feb. 18.—"Fighting Bob" Evans of the navy expressed this opinion when asked as to his theory concerning the wrecking of the warship: "When we look at the outside conditions, it seems to me that we may find a reasonable cause for the disaster. The Spanish battleship, Alfonso XII, was lying in the immediate vicinity of the Maine, and a torpedo fired at her and missing its mark could have caused disaster. This seems to me the only theory and most reasonable one on which we can arrive at a conclusion."
Captain Evans said that he had commanded the battleship, and from his knowledge of the precautions taken and the conditions existing, the idea of an explosion having occurred on board the Maine was out of the question. He thought that miscreants had fired a torpedo from the shore, that it had been aimed at the Alfonso XII, and had missed its mark.

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BURIAL OF THE MARTYRS.
Havana, Feb. 18.—The interment of the martyrs of the Maine took place yesterday. Shortly before the hour all Havana was in movement. The flags on the public buildings were at halfmast and many of the houses were draped in mourning. All classes were represented in the throngs that filled the streets along which the funeral procession passed to the cemetery.
The order of the procession was as follows: The municipal guards on horseback, in full uniform, the city fire brigade, the municipal employees, the aldermen in seven splendidly decorated firemen's cars, special cars bearing the remains, nine bodies being carried on a splendidly decorated car; the clergy, deputations consisting of the chief officers of the army, the navy and the volunteers, representatives of various official bureaux and of the custom house, a committee representing the chamber of commerce, a delegation representing the grocers, the council of administration, representatives of the treasury, the press and political organizations, then the chief officers of the various corps.

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Office cor. State and Water Sts.
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Gives away to every customer who purchases 31c. worth or over, a 25c. ticket for

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MOON'S PHASES.
Full Moon 6 1:40 p.m. New Moon 20 5:56 p.m.
Third Quarter 13 7:51 p.m. First Quarter 28 6:29 a.m.

WEATHER FORECAST
The four weather. Rain and snow, now and promises to last through part of all of Saturday in New England, with slowly rising temperatures, winds coming southerly and shifting to westerly. Fair or clearing weather, with colder temperatures, is indicated for Sunday.
ALMANAC SATURDAY, FEB. 19.
Sun rises—5:45, sets 5:22
Moon sets—5:46 a. m.
High water—10 a. m., 10:30 p. m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.

Not Exactly So

The collectorship at the port of Portsmouth, to which Col. B. N. Elwell has been nominated, is more or less lucrative, according to circumstances. The collector's compensation comes in the form of fees and may be \$50 a month or \$300, according to the amount of business done at that port, all of which depends in the main upon the Frank Jones Brewing Company, which pays the bulk of the duties there received. Two clerks are employed in the office.—Exeter Gazette.

Sylvester Come in Town Again

Sylvester W. Cone, who for seventeen long, frightful years was confined in the state prison for defending his home, is paying a short visit to this city after an absence of several years. He is soon to go to New York to seek assistance in lifting the mortgage from the homestead he has bought in Lynn and which, when free from debt, will provide an income sufficient for his comfortable maintenance.

Everybody's liable to itching piles. Rich and poor, old and young—terrible the torture they suffer. Only one sure cure. Doan's Ointment. Absolutely safe; can't fail.

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Has cured thousands, it will cure you. It does you nothing to try it, for if it don't relieve and cure you your money is PAID BACK TO YOU. A written guarantee to that effect in every cure. It is a strictly first-class cure in every respect; it is neat and clean; a sweet smelling cure. No soiling of the hands to apply it. It is THE BEST.

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1 Congress St., Portsmouth.
EXAMINATION FREE

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Their Annual Report for the Year 1897.

Best Showing of Any Year Since Water Works Were Acquired by City.

The following is the report of the board of water commissioners for the year 1897:

To the City Councils of the City of Portsmouth:

The water commissioners in submitting their seventh annual report for your consideration are happy to announce that the plant of the water works is in a thoroughly satisfactory condition. The expenses of administration have been carefully watched and money thus saved has been expended in extending the service and increasing the efficiency of the plant.

Extensions of service have been made in many parts of the city, the most important being 1080 feet of eight-inch pipe and 651 feet of two-inch pipe on Lafayette road; 1080 feet of four inch pipe across the Plains and down Middle road and 360 feet of six-inch pipe on Broad street.

The commissioners, realizing the urgent necessity for two complete, and pendant and powerful pumping engines at the Sherburne pumping station, each capable of supplying the city with water in an emergency and possessing reserved force for future growth, purchased a Worthington compound condensing pumping engine 15x25 and 16x24, having two (2) high pressure cylinders, each fifteen inches in diameter; two low pressure cylinders, each twenty-five inches in diameter and with a maximum pumping capacity of 3,000,000 gallons of water in twenty-four hours.

Thirty-seven new services have been put in and 879 feet of old service replaced.

The amount of water pumped during the year was 390,628,325 gallons.

The board would again suggest that an annual rental be paid by the city for the fire hydrant service, the proceeds of the same to be turned into a sinking fund for eventually paying off the bonded debt.

The total indebtedness of the water works remains as before, \$325,000 bearing interest at the rate of four per cent.

FRANK J. PHILBRICK,
ARTHUR C. HEFFENER,
JOHN S. RAND.

Of the above amount there was expended for Extension, New Pump, etc., as follows:

Extensions 12 1/2 in. Pipe, Bunkitt St.	\$29.82
" 22 feet 1-inch Pipe, Stark St.	44.46
" 27 feet 8-inch Pipe, Middle Road and 169 feet 6-inch Pipe, Lafayette road from Middle to South St.	84.03
" 170 feet 2-inch Pipe, Lafayette Road, beyond South St.	326.62
" 132 feet 2-inch Pipe, New St. off Newcastle Avenue.	63.14
" 106 feet 4-inch Pipe across Plains, down Middle Road	102.90
" 760 feet 2-inch Pipe, Broad St.	104.61
New Worthington Pump at Station	4,689.31
	7,465.79

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand January 1, 1897	\$14,411.07
Water Rates Year 1897	80.00
" " " 1896	78.00
" " " 1895	233.00
" " " 1894	3,956.84
" " " 1893	21,655.12
Labor and Materials	7.93
Rent House McDonough St.	5.00
Water Sold	13.80
Interest	224.75
	\$41,661.20

EXPENDITURES.

Pay Roll	\$7,278.64
Office Rent, Gas, Telephone, Etc	230.47
Pipe, Tools, Etc	1,040.57
Repairing Furnaces	141.56
Oils and Packing	227.71
Coal	2,981.67
Tramway	162.88
Meters	102.25
Insurance	112.06
Salaries	1,990.16
Labor Steamboat Wharf	800.00
Incidentals	124.04
Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings	1,444.54
New Pump at Station	4,689.31
Interest	13,000.00
	\$33,510.54
Balance on hand	8,156.66
	\$41,667.20

Amateur Win Success.

Last evening at the Universalist church vestry was held a benefit performance for J. Byron Shannon, and a large audience was present.

The two comedies "A Scheme that Failed" and "Ici on Parle Francais," were admirably given and the participants received much praise for their fine acting. The plays will be repeated this evening.

The following is the cast of characters in both pieces:

A SCHEME THAT FAILED.

Paul Jennings	J. Byron Shannon
Victor Craven	George P. Parker
Edith	Miss Frances P. Wendell
Fanny	Miss Ruth Wendell
Mrs. Craven	Miss Alice Gerriah
Mrs. Bridget	Miss Nina Parker

"ICI ON PARLE FRANCAIS."

Maj. Regulus Kattan	Horace Rowe
Victor Dubois	Perry E. Conner
Mr. Spriggins	J. Byron Shannon
Mrs. Spriggins	Miss Clara W. George
Angelina	Miss Cora W. Barnabee
Julia Rattan	Miss Alice Anthony
Anna Maria	Miss Florence M. Lombard

PERSONALS.

G. Fred Drew went to Boston this morning.

Edward Kimball was a visitor in Boston today.

G. Fred Drew came down from Boston last evening.

Andrew Brennan of Dover was a visitor in town yesterday.

Ex-Governor P. C. Cheney of Manchester was in town yesterday.

Captain J. Albert Rand of Boston is the guest of friends in this city.

Mrs. Will Tobey of Hanover street, is visiting in Lynn and Boston.

Police Officer Stevens of Dover was in this city yesterday on business.

Miss Annie Hanscom of Kittery visited friends in Dover Thursday.

Wm. H. Conner, Esq., of Newfields, was in town on Thursday on business.

Hon. J. Albert Walker came down from Boston this morning on business.

Thomas McCue, the well-known stable keeper, was in Boston today on business.

Mrs. Henry Ham is seriously sick at her home on Maplewood avenue with typhoid pneumonia.

Mr. George Hooper of Nashua is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Nathaniel H. Shannon, Austin street.

F. E. Hasty the director of the P. A. C. Minstrels is receiving congratulations daily at Peyser and Son's store.

Mrs. Cedre Loughton has issued invitations to a musical at her residence on State street Monday evening, next.

Mr. Charles E. Loughton returned last evening from New York city where he has been visiting since his return from Jamaica.

Mrs. Harry O. Hoitt entertained a number of her friends at whist, in Iron hall last evening, which proved to be a very enjoyable affair.

Right Eminent Grand Commander Sir John Hatch and suite will pay an official visit to Palestine Commandery, Knights Templar, of Rochester, on Friday evening next.

Miss M. Louise Bennett, who is prosecuting her vocal education with Mrs. Julie Thornton Pearl of Boston, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Bennett, Hanover street.

A Novel Entertainment

The coming entertainment and dance by the Portsmouth Cycle club will be, not only one of the events of the winter, but a big surprise to the people of this city. The first part of the entertainment will be after the style of a minstrel show and the boys are hard at work rehearsing an overture that is solid full of fun and enjoyment.

One of the features will be two one-mile bicycle races on specially constructed machines between Messrs Ira Nowick and Charlie Woods and Messrs George Newick and Eddie Churchill. The riders will be in plain view of the audience all the time but at a glance you can tell who is ahead during the entire race. Many other novel specialties will be introduced, none of which have ever been seen in this city.

Says He Will Build

In spite of the Maine holocaust the electric railroad subject has not died out. Manager Gerald says:

"My charter gives me the right to build a horse railroad through certain streets named. Rather than be defeated in my plans, I will build according to the charter, using horses. I can go on with this at once. The charter gives me that right. Portsmouth has proven itself to be the important link in a future system of much magnitude. It is because of this that so much sparring has arisen over the proposed road."

Portsmouth Will Send a Delegation

District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler H. B. Dow of the B. P. O. E. has arranged to attend the dedication of the new hall of Manchester lodge, mention of which was made in last evening's HERALD. A delegation of about fifteen members of Portsmouth lodge will no doubt accompany him. It will be made a state event and all the lodges will be represented.

The YMCA Fair

Several novelties will be introduced at the coming Y. M. C. A. fair. The original pop corn man will be on exhibition attended by a bary of fair young ladies. The silhouette department which proved such a hit last year will be found again and toothsome oranges can be bought right from the tree.

Mrs. Henry H. Ham

Mrs. Eliza J., wife of Henry H. Ham and daughter of Richard Seely, died at her home on Maplewood avenue this afternoon after a short illness from pneumonia. Deceased was 41 years of age and leaves a husband and two children besides one brother to mourn her loss.

The Alliance in Case of war.

In case the U. S. S. Alliance should be needed as a coast defense vessel or transport she could be put to sea in a very few days. The Alliance carries eight four-inch guns and could do good work against some of the small gunboats in the Spanish navy.

CITY BRIEFS.

The young people are skating once more.

Ladies and gents box calf shoes for \$2.00 at Knights'.

Full size laundry soap, 12 for 25c, Globe Grocery Co.

The street railway folks are brushing up their open cars.

War talk forms the burden of conversation upon the street.

A good cigar is man's enjoyment. Next time try Dowd's Honest 10.

Call in and look over W. E. Paul's 5 10, 15, 20 and 25c. counters.

The Maine disaster has given the new-boys brisk sales on the streets.

The prophets say we must expect another blizzard about this time.

Only three Weary Willies were booked at the police station last evening.

W. E. Paul has some big bargains on his 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25c. counters.

A good sized crowd witnessed Edison's Graphoscope in Music Hall last evening.

The faces of the P. A. C. boys have just commenced to assume their natural color.

Portsmouth is ready to demand satisfaction for the murder of the Maine's crew.

Some weather-wise persons prophesy one more heavy storm before the month is out.

The cut downs at the shoe factory are being carried into the various departments.

Don't fail to call in W. E. Paul's Saturday evening and look over his bargain counter.

The HERALD's news regarding the Maine has been equal to any of the Boston papers.

The quibbling here is the leading social function at this season in many a rural community.

If you want to hear war talk, drop around to the armory of Company A on Court street.

The politicians are now fading out just how the candidates stand on the electric railroad issue.

Sleigh rides are not so popular now as hivery stable keepers and young people wish they were.

The "S. G." Lonsdale is made of the choicest stock and is the best ten-cent cigar in the market.

There was a grand rush for the Boston and New York papers on their arrival in this city on the 5:20 train last evening.

Of the cash balance about \$3,000 has already been expended in the purchase of the Hay and Scott farm, a valuable acquisition.

Portsmouth's new customs collector is a handsome man anyhow, so of course he will "adorn the office."—Newburyport News.

If you wish to have comfort have your shoes tapped with rubber. We warrant every pair. John Mott, boot and shoe repairer.

The yearly report of the schooner Lizzie J. Call has been printed and sent to the several stock holders by Agent Freeman K. Garrett.

For several reasons the Pythian Sisterhood have postponed their assembly that was to have been held this evening until two weeks from tonight.

The "Gaspia" of Goodrich Engine company No. 4 are bustling for their ball Washington's birthday eve, and propose to make it a roouser.

Annie Prefethen of this city, vice-president of the Rebekah assembly, will pay an official visit to Fraternity lodge of Exeter next Monday evening.

A letter received from Rev. M. V. McDuffie states that his work in the Prospect street church, East Orange, N. J., had opened most favorably.

Constitution Circle, No. 294, Companions of the Forest, celebrate their third anniversary in Peirce hall this evening with an entertainment and dance.

The dancers are impatiently awaiting the advent of Monday evening, when the twelfth annual ball of M. H. Goodrich S. F. E. Co., No. 4, will be held in Philbrick hall.

Postmaster Sides has received orders from Washington to keep the postoffice flag at half mast until further orders out of respect to those who were killed in the Maine disaster.

The ladies of Constitution Circle, Companions of the Forest, held their dance and entertainment in Peirce hall this evening. Little Elsie Goldenboth will give her butterfly dance.

Judge Page of this city has been appointed by the supreme court as commissioner to affix damages in the Salinger breach of contract suit which came to an abrupt ending in supreme court at Dover yesterday.

Manager Hasty of the P. A. C. minstrels has been approached by a number of well known citizens, who are anxious to have him reproduce the big minstrel show for the benefit of a well known charitable institution.

The sports are all eagerly awaiting the great sparring exhibition to be held in Peirce hall, Tuesday evening, Feb. 22. Great interest is manifested in the three-round bout between Danny Buckley of this city and Charles Delorey, the present middle weight champion of New Hampshire.

Economy is Revenue

Domestic Wrappers

Are the greatest wrapper economy because it furnishes the most wear at the least cost. It is a continuous revenue too, because each sale is the spokesman for others.

Bargain "DOMESTIC" \$1.00
Percale Wrappers a' only 79c.

Veilings.

The 25c. Veilings for 5c. and 15c. per yard are worthy of notice.

FOYE,

The Ladies' Furnisher.

Your Lace Curtains and Woolen Blankets

When they need cleansing, send them to the

Central Steam Laundry, 61 State St.

Where they will receive prompt and careful attention. Laundering in all its branches executed in a thorough manner. Goods called for and delivered.

W. G. WIGGIN, Proprietor

AUCTION

— OF —
-- CREAMERY BUSINESS --

The stock, good will, fixtures and appurtenances, complete of the

Nestle Down Creamery Co.,

Will be sold at auction on the premises on

Saturday, Feb. 26 at 12 Noon.

This sale is intended as a clearing up of the affairs of the above company and the purchaser will be required to allow the fixtures to remain in the premises in which they are now situated, viz:

71 1/2 WEST ST., PORTSMOUTH, N. H.

and to remain in the business.

Kind of premises and other conditions will be made known at time of auction, above stated.

J. G. Tobey, Jr., Auctioneer.

BUT FIVE ALIVE

There Were Twenty-Seven New England Men on the Maine

Among the crew of the Maine there were twenty-seven sons of New England. But five are now alive. In the list of fifty-eight saved these five are mentioned by Captain Sigbee, under whose orders it was prepared; but as since that time ninety-six have been reported safe and sound on shore it may be that in the additional thirty eight more of the Yankee boys are numbered. But it may be, too, that only the five alluded to will ever again see the stern and rock bound coast of the northeastern country.

McCarthy's Loss

The loss sustained by Mr. Brennan McCarthy who was pay clerk on the battleship Maine when she was destroyed, will reach nearly \$1000. It is mostly in the shape of clothing and personal property Mr. McCarthy was unable to save a thing outside of what he had on at the time and it was the same way with the rest of the officers and crew. It is not generally known but in a case like this the government always reimburses the crew or any of its officers on board of one of its ships, for any loss sustained by them through any accident or in fact through any cause wherein it is not the fault of the men themselves.

When You Are Tired

Without extra exertion, languid dull and listless, your blood is failing to supply to your muscles and other organs the vitalizing and strength-giving properties they require. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures that tired feeling by enriching and purifying the blood. It will give you energy and vigor.

Hood's Pills are easy to take, easy to operate. Cure indigestion, biliousness, etc.

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BELL ROCK SOAP
"The best soap known."
PRESTON'S LOTION
For chapped hands.
QUICK CURE
A 10c cough cure.
PORTSMOUTH THROAT HELPER
Positively help throats.
OTHER GOOD THINGS
Preston's Pharmacy.

DIED.

In Kittery, Me., Feb. 14th Mrs. Bridget McNeil, aged 64 years, 11 months and 21 days.

In South Eliot, Me., Feb. 14th, Mrs. Martha J. Sproule, aged 61 years, wife of Nathan Sproule.

CASCARA stimulate liver, kidneys and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or gripe 10c.

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10 Cent Cigar,
Little Gold Dust, Havana Filled, de Cigar.

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